



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No. : 09/539,132 Confirmation No. : 8936  
Applicant : McDonough  
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Examiner : Felten  
Docket Number : CMCDO.00001  
Customer No. : 41498  
Re : Mechanism and Business Method for Implementing a Service Contract Futures Exchange

MS Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P. O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

Sir:

No fees are believed to be necessary at this time other than for one additional claim and a one month time extension. However, in the event that any fees are required for the prosecution of this application, please notify the undersigned. No extension of time is believed necessary other than for one month which is hereby requested. If, however, another extension of time is needed, the extension is requested. Please notify the undersigned.

In response to the Office action of **May 5, 2005**, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on **page 2** of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on **page 61** of this paper.

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